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Dear Partners,

It is my great pleasure to announce the establishment of the UNHCR NGO Innovation Award. This Award will be officially launched at the 2018 UNHCR Annual Consultations with NGOs. It celebrates the achievements of NGOs that advance the delivery of services to persons of concern.

Have you come up with a new approach, project or idea that could bring dramatic change to the way we help and protect refugees and others forced to flee? Could it be scaled up, and applied elsewhere? If you have done something new and innovative for refugees or others forcibly displaced, or if you have a concept that you believe can bring real change to a situation, then let us know about it.



The Award, decided by a Jury composed of UNHCR and external partners, is given to NGOs from any country/territory that have demonstrated commitment and creativity to achieving improved efficiency of services for forcibly displaced people.

**Innovation Award** 

A first prize of USD 10,000 and a second prize of USD 8,000 will be granted to the winners. A representative of each will be invited to an award ceremony in Geneva, Switzerland, in December 2018.

The timeline of the award is:

- 28 June, 2018 Official launch at UNHCR's Annual Consultations with NGOs
- 31 July, 2018 Submissions close
- October, 2018 Announcement of winners
- December, 2018 Award ceremony in Geneva

Further details about submissions may be found by **Tuesday**, **31 July 2018** (24:00- CET) at the following website: <u>http://www.unhcr.org/innovation/innovation-awards</u>.

Yours\_sincerely,

Rossella Pagliuchi-Lor Director, Division of External Relations

